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Report Highlights:

Post keeps the same estimates for Vietnam rice production as last month due to no major changes reported from Vietnam Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development, MARD.

Due to more expected export volume, Post revises the Vietnam calendar year 2009 rice export volume from 5.7 million tons to 5.8 million tons.

Post: Commodities: Hanoi Rice, Milled

Author Defined: PRODUCTION

Given no major changes in Vietnam rice production in MARD's October report, Post keeps the same estimates for Vietnam rice production as last month.

Rice Exports

According to Vietnam Food Association, Vietnam expects to ship about 250,000 tons of 25% broken milled rice to the Philippines by end of the year from a tender to be opened this coming November. However, the rise in international prices will most likely motivate Vietnam to delay the delivery of many of its signed contracts until CY 2010. Because of this, Post revises the Vietnam calendar year 2009 rice export volume from 5.7 million tons to 5.8 million tons.

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